



Cattle on Feed

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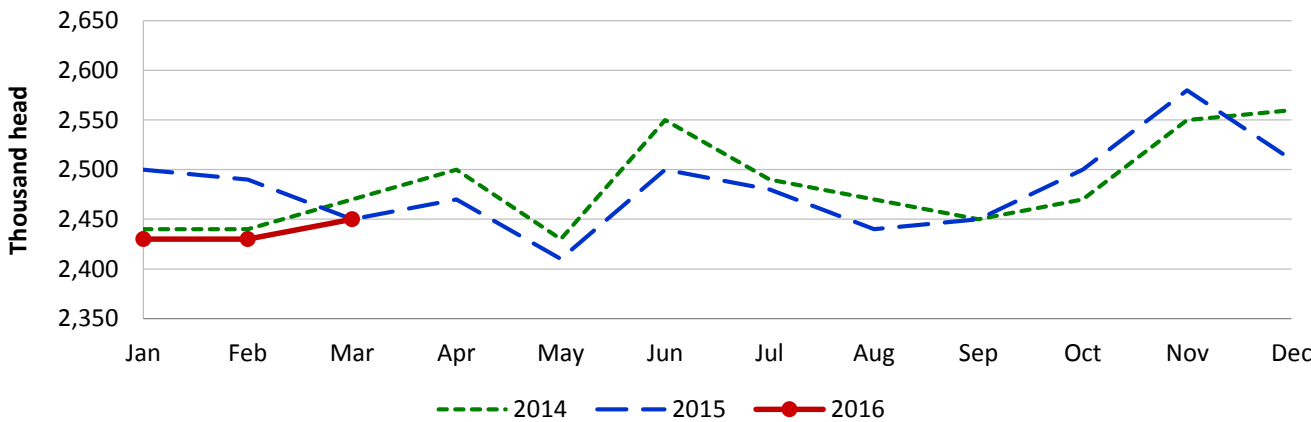
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This report contains results from the March 2016 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of March. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on April 22, 2016.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.45 million head on March 1, 2016, unchanged from a year ago. Producers placed 345 thousand head in commercial feedlots during February, up 21 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 315 thousand head during February, unchanged from 2015.

On March 1, there were 2.12 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 87 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 1 percent from last year but up 1 percent from the February 1 total. February placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 302 thousand head, up 4 percent from the January total. Marketings were down 5 percent from last month at 274 thousand head.

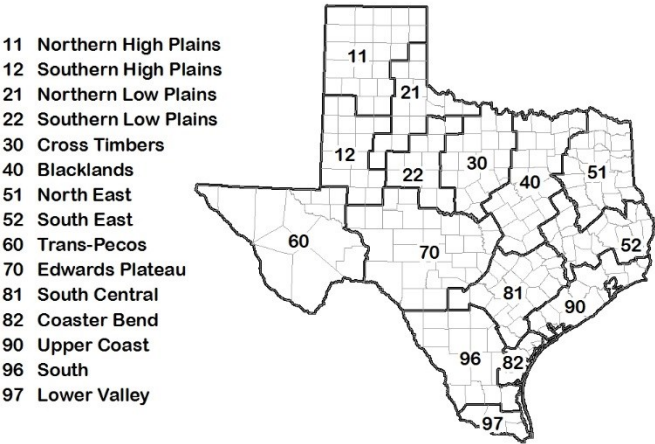
Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory



Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

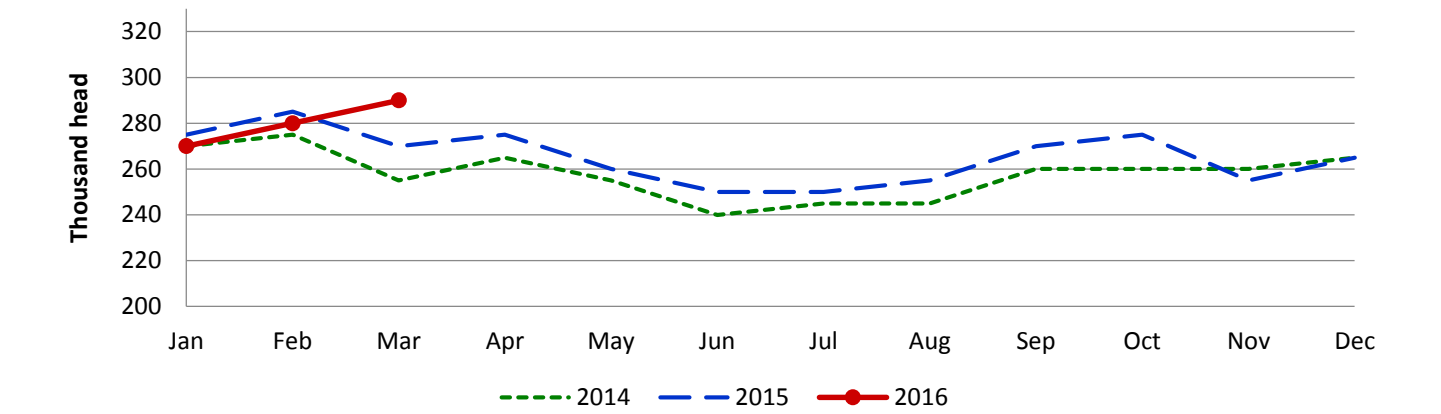
Cattle and Calves	District 11	District 12	District 21	District 70	District 81	District 96	Other districts	State total
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
On feed February 1, 2016 ¹	2,101	146	58	15	33	55	22	2,430
Placed on feed during February	302	21	6	2	4	8	2	345
Fed cattle marketed during February	274	19	7	3	3	7	2	315
Other disappearance during February ²	6	1	0	0	2	1	0	10
On feed March 1, 2016 ¹	2,123	147	57	14	32	55	22	2,450

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.
² Included death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Oklahoma** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 290 thousand head on March 1, 2016, up 5 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 54 thousand head in commercial feedlots during February, up 29 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 43 thousand head during February, up 43 percent from 2015. Other disappearance during February totaled 1 thousand head, unchanged from a year ago.

Oklahoma Cattle on Feed Inventory



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the **United States** in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.8 million head on March 1, 2016. This inventory was up 1 percent from March 1, 2015. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.71 million head, 10 percent above February 2015. February placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 335 thousand head; 600-699 pounds totaled 300 thousand head; 700-799 pounds totaled 445 thousand head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 630 thousand head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.59 million head, 5 percent above 2015.

Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlot

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed February 1		Placed on feed during February		Marketed during February		Other Disappearance during February		On feed March 1	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona	247	276	19	43	19	21	4	1	243	297
California	440	445	48	46	43	46	5	5	440	440
Colorado	890	880	150	170	145	155	5	5	890	890
Idaho	230	245	31	38	29	41	2	2	230	240
Iowa	650	620	85	92	74	78	1	4	660	630
Kansas	2,090	2,140	355	375	355	345	10	10	2,080	2,160
Minnesota	141	158	18	23	13	17	1	1	145	163
Nebraska	2,500	2,460	400	395	385	420	15	15	2,500	2,420
Oklahoma	265	280	42	54	30	43	2	1	275	290
South Dakota	230	260	41	48	35	37	1	1	235	270
Texas	2,490	2,430	285	345	315	315	10	10	2,450	2,450
Washington	210	195	43	38	36	36	2	2	215	195
Other States	330	320	34	43	37	37	2	1	325	325
United States	10,713	10,709	1,551	1,710	1,516	1,591	60	58	10,688	10,770

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	During February									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado	25	25	25	40	40	40	60	65	150	170
Kansas	60	50	65	65	95	105	135	155	355	375
Nebraska	60	45	65	60	100	105	175	185	400	395
Texas	100	105	45	70	75	95	65	75	285	345
Other States	85	110	65	65	86	100	125	150	361	425
United States	330	335	265	300	396	445	560	630	1,551	1,710

¹ Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.